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Mr. B. J. Merley Vice President - Chief Engineer Chicago, M. Iwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Railroad 898 Union Station Chicago, Illinois 60606

Dear Mr. Worley:.

Thank you for your letter of March 19, 1970, regarding plans by the railroad for the community of Avery, Idaho.

Recently I received complaints by the U.S. Forest Service who have a ranger station immediately below the community of Avery in regard to oil emissions into the river. Mr. Kautz, Avery District Ranger, informs me that at times oil coming from the Milwaukee Railroad roundhouse covers as much as one-third of the river surface in the vicinity of the spill. This-type of pollution must cease immediately as the river is used for water supplies at various points downstream.

Please keep this office informed in regard to your progress in Avery as we would like to get the sewage pollution from this community out of the river this year if possible.

Sincerely,

Arthur W. Van't Hul, P. E.

Régional Public Health Engineer

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cc: Edward W. Kautz, Avery District Ranger
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